(b) and (c) While no contingency plan has been drawn up by Government, it is the constant endeavour of Government to encourage domestic airlines to achieve their full potential and increase their viability.

Drill in case of terrorist attack

2648. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Team set up, after terrorist attack on the World Trade Centre in New York on 11th September, 2001, comprising representatives from various Ministries to deal with such an exigency, is yet to be given a go ahead for formalisation of a drill to be followed in such cases;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the drill is likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A Task Force was set up under the Chairmanship of Shri H.S. Khola, former DGCA, which consisted of representatives from Indian Air Force and Airports Authority of India. The Task Force has since submitted its report and its recommendations are in various stages of implementation.

Loss suffered by AI

2649. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item captioned "AI losses Rs. 2 crore in a day due to London mess-up" which appeared in a newspaper on January 30th, 2003 Mumbai Edition;

(b) whether any inquiry has been ordered regarding the loss incurred by Air India; and